

PSSH Leadership

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ServErie at PSSH



The Pennsylvania Soldiers' & Sailors' Home (PSSH) was one of nine agencies that participated in ServErie's annual summer project. Volunteers were on hand to complete a variety of tasks that included tree planting, painting, and gardening.

ServErie is a ministry of Grace Church and is a volunteer mobilization organization that connects volunteers with agencies in the community to help support their mission. Their goal is to transform the lives within our community and the lives of their volunteers. Building relationships through serving is the heart of ServErie.

ServErie volunteers began their day at PSSH by planting six trees throughout the grounds. Once that was completed participants moved on to staining raised garden beds that were placed next to the resident's garden. Their final project of the day involved flower planting and weeding in the courtyard on the Alzheimer's Unit.

ServErie's efforts were well received and enhanced the appearance of the landscape at PSSH. We look forward to future collaborations that support the missions of both ServErie and PSSH.

Commandant's Corner

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer and staying healthy and safe! The month of July has come and gone so fast that it's hard to believe the days of August are upon us.



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On July 3rd Erie celebrated Independence Day with its annual "Lights Over Lake Erie" fireworks display, which could be viewed from the hillside west of the PCU building. A Patriotic 4th of July bingo was held for the residents by the activities department. On July 12th, residents were invited to a fish fry put on by the VFW in Titusville. We also continued to enjoy Gazebo concerts, campfires , bingo and poker days throughout the month.

I'm happy to announce we have been granted permission by DOH to begin the use of the outside patio enclosures off Unit A and Unit B. The patio doors will be unlocked between the hours of 0800 and 2100.

Safety reminder.... The heat and humidity of a beautiful summer day can be dangerous causing dehydration to our elderly population. Please ensure that they are drinking plenty of fluids, apply sunblock if they are going to be outdoors for any length of time and encourage them to stay out of direct sunlight.

Our "Caught You Caring" employee of the month of June is Mark Thompson! You can find Mark working in our Housekeeping Department on 1st shift. He is an amazing worker and a great asset to our PSSH team. Thank you for all your hard work ensuring our residents have a clean and safe place to live. Congratulations Mark!

As July comes to an end, I have one question for you...Are you ready for some football?! The Hall of Fame Game will kick off on August 3rd at 8pm between the Cleveland Browns and the New York Jets. Who are you cheering for?

One last thought...

"Be yourself; everyone else is already taken."



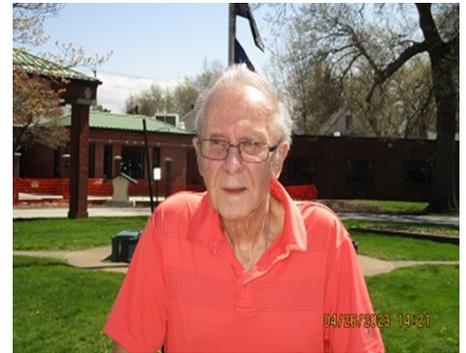
August Birthdays

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| Edmund Lack | August | 2 |  | David Shreve | August | 17 |
| Victor Desantis | August | 2 | | Richard Cuthbert | August | 18 |
| David Rodabaugh | August | 3 | | Dean Gosnell | August | 18 |
| Clyde Zappitella | August | 3 |  | Blaine Thibault | August | 21 |
| James Wright | August | 7 | | Richard Levato | August | 25 |
| John Weller | August | 15 | | David Fritts | August | 26 |



Rex Southworth: PCU Resident of the Month

Rex Southworth is a U.S. Army veteran originally from Townville, PA. He has one daughter and one son. Mr. Southworth enjoys watching Fox News and western movies. His favorite movie is The Quick and The Dead starring Sharon Stone. Mr. Southworth listens to country western music, Johnny Cash and Hank Williams are two of his favorites. Mr. Southworth has always had a love of cars and motorcycles. His favorite types of motorcycles are BMW's. Mr. Southworth once owned 1941, 1948, and 1951 Indian Motorcycles. The next time you see Rex Southworth, be sure to congratulate him on being nominated PCU Resident of the Month!



Donald Klingsmith: NCU Resident of the Month

Donald Klingsmith is a Marine Corps veteran originally from Turtle Creek, PA. He has three children, two sons and one daughter. Mr. Klingsmith has owned dogs his entire life. His favorite movie is Doctor Zhivago and he also enjoys the TV show Blue Bloods. Mr. Klingsmith enjoys almost any music, "Oldies but Goodies" is a favorite of his. He used to play basketball at Edinboro University and follows all of the professional Pittsburgh sports teams. Mr. Klingsmith loves to watch sports on TV and playing BINGO is one of his favorite hobbies at PSSH. The next time you see Donald Klingsmith be sure to congratulate him on being NCU Resident of the Month!



Preview of August's Activities

Tuesday, 8/1, 2:00pm, BINGO
Wednesday, 8/3, 7:00pm, BINGO
Wednesday, 8/9, 1:30pm, Gazebo Concert
Thursday, 8/10, 6:30pm, Gazebo Concert
Friday, 8/11, 2:00pm, Banana Split Social
Wednesday, 8/16, 1:30pm, Gazebo Concert
Tuesday, 8/22, 2:00pm, BINGO
Wednesday, 8/23, 7:00pm, BINGO
Thursday, 8/24, 5:15pm, Erie Seawolves Baseball
Friday, 8/25, 2:00pm, BINGO
Saturday, 8/26, 2:00pm, BINGO
Tuesday, 8/29, 1:30pm, Family Party Pigs



TAPS

Clifton Huff

Newsletter Info

If you have an idea or would like to contribute to the next newsletter, please contact:



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New Residents

The PA Soldiers' & Sailors' Home would like to welcome our new residents:

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KAREN FRITTS

BEVERLY MINTSIVERIS



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